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Sir:

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The Examiner is advised that co-pending, allowed U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/559,589 contains subject matter that may be related to the present application. By bringing this application to the Examiner's attention, Applicants do not waive the confidentiality provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122.

Attached for the Examiner's information is a copy of an Office Action with a mailing date of August 13, 2007 from pending U.S. Utility Patent Application No. 10/559,589 for which Malcolm Colin Richards et al are inventors but which is not related to the instant application through a priority claim. The Form 1449 filed herewith cites the references set forth in the Examiner's Notice of References attached to the Office Action.

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